

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
DATED AUGUST 8, 2007

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 8, 2007, having a shortened statutory period expiring November 8, 2007. Further examination and entry of the amendments to place the claims in form for appeal are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.